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In re application of:

Yoshiyuki Tanaka, et al.

Serial No. 10/786,960

Confirmation No. 4129

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For: METHOD FOR CONTROLLING NON-VOLATILE
SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY SYSTEM

Art Unit: 2186

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Dear Sir:

Prior to any examination of the application on the merits, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

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